Reply of Government.—The question of restoring the feeder is under consideration.

SUBJECT NO. 292.

Restoration of the Bervalu tank.

Mr. Lakshminaranappa, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In the last Dasara Address it was announced that the Bervalu tank would be restored at a cost of about three lakhs as a famine work. The present seasonal conditions are not favorable and the dry crops have failed for want of timely rains. It is therefore prayed that to relieve the distress of the raiyats in this locality the project may be ordered to be taken up and the work put in hand as it will, if completed, be highly remunerative to Government.

Reply of Government.—The project which has been already sanctioned, has been placed on the famine programme. It will be undertaken when necessity arises.

SUBJECT NO. 293.

Construction of a feeder channel from the Suvarnavati river to the Hondrabalu tank.

Mr. Lakshminarasimha Char, Chamrajnagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A channel may be opened from the Suvarnavati river to feed the Hondrabalu tank in the Jothigowdanapura village, as this will enable the Hondrabalu, Jothigowdanapura, Nallur and Nagavalli villages to receive their full supply of water, besides bringing 2,000 acres under wet cultivation. It also appears that contribution has been recovered from the raiyats to some extent.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Deputy Commissioner.

SUBJECT NO. 294.

Repairs to the Bandagadu Ane.

Messrs. A. Narasimaiya, Ramanna, Malvalli Taluk, and K. Subbiah Setty, Malvalli Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Bandagadu *Ane* built to irrigate the wet lands below the Malvalli tank breached some 30 years ago. About 300 acres of wet land were being cultivated when this *ane* was in order. The breach of the *ane* has caused hardship. An estimate amounting to Rs. 11,070 prepared some years ago was not sanctioned, as the same was not approved of by the then Deputy Commissioner (*vide* Chief Engineer's letter No. 4884 of the 25th July 1905). The raiyats have executed a mutchalika binding themselves to pay a third of the amount of the estimate. Among the matters represented to His Highness the Maharaja, when he was pleased to visit the place in August 1907, this work was one. It is therefore prayed that this work may be ordered to be carried out early.

Reply of Government.—Under investigation in the Public Works Department. It will be expedited.

SUBJECT NO. 295.

Repairs to sluice channels.

Messrs. Narasimhiah and Ramanna, Malvalli Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Many raiyats suffer owing to the failure on the part of some to do maintenance work to the channels of the Malvalli and Marehalli tanks. It is therefore prayed that orders may be issued to get these works done by Government agency and to recover the cost from the raiyats at the rate of 8 annas per acre according to the mutchalikas executed by them.